

Reference No. 6.12

EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS : AUSTRALIA, SEPTEMBER 1975 PRELIMINARY

MAIN FEATURES

The following figures refer only to *civilian wage and salary earners excluding those in agriculture and private domestic service*.

- In September 1975 employment decreased by 400 persons. In seasonally adjusted terms this was a decrease of 300 persons.
- Male employment fell by 6,300; female employment increased by 5,900.
- Private employment increased by 5,300 persons. This was more than offset by a decrease of 5,700 persons in government, due mainly to a decline in employment by local government authorities under the Regional Employment Development Scheme.
- Employment in manufacturing increased by 800 persons, the first monthly increase since May 1974. However, in seasonally adjusted terms this was a decrease of 200 persons.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This preliminary statement will be followed in due course by the monthly bulletin *Employment and Unemployment* (Reference No. 6.4) which gives information in greater detail.

Reference period

2. Current data supplied by reporting enterprises or establishments generally refer to persons on the payroll for the last pay-period in each month.

Scope of Estimates

3. The series in this statement relate only to *wage and salary earners* not the total labour force. The statistics therefore exclude employers, self-employed persons and unpaid helpers. Also excluded, because of

the inadequacy of current data, are employees in agriculture and private domestic service, and some part-time employees. For the sake of brevity, wage and salary earners are referred to in the tables as 'employees'.

4. Persons who are on paid leave or who work during part of the pay-period and are unemployed or on strike during the rest of the period are generally counted as employed. Those not shown on employers' payrolls because they are on leave without pay, on strike or stood down for the entire period are excluded.

Method of estimation

5. The estimates are based on benchmarks derived from the results of the 1966 population census. Month-to-month changes shown by current returns are linked to the benchmark data to derive the monthly estimates. Current returns are of three main types :

- . payroll tax returns
- . returns from government bodies
- . other current employment returns (e.g. for hospitals).

6. Recorded employment obtained from these sources is estimated to account for about 90 per cent of the total number of employees in the industries covered. The balance (that is, unrecorded private employment) is estimated.

Government employment

7. Government employees comprise not only administrative employees but also all other employees of government bodies (Australian, State, local and semi-government) on services such as railways, road transport, banks, post office, air transport, education (including universities), radio, television, police, public works, factories and departmental hospitals and institutions.

NOTE. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding. The figures shown are subject to revision.

TABLE 1. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(’000)

Month	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T. (a)	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)
MALES										
1974 —Aug.	(c)1,133.4	(c)850.6	(c)430.6	287.0	236.8	91.9	23.0	47.9	(c)3,101.2	(c)3,112.7
Sept.	1,131.2	(c)848.4	432.0	286.6	237.3	91.4	23.3	47.7	(c)3,098.0	(c)3,109.7
1975 —Aug.	1,106.1	836.8	428.9	284.8	242.3	92.1	21.6	51.2	3,063.7	3,075.2
Sept.	1,103.1	837.0	427.1	283.3	241.8	92.1	21.7	51.2	3,057.4	3,069.0
FEMALES										
1974 —Aug.	641.4	(c)494.9	(c)218.5	164.1	134.8	44.4	12.8	30.4	(c)1,741.2	(c)1,747.8
Sept.	640.1	491.7	219.3	163.4	135.5	44.2	12.9	30.4	1,737.5	1,742.3
1975 —Aug.	626.5	487.3	219.2	162.6	137.0	46.1	12.1	33.7	1,724.6	1,731.0
Sept.	628.4	489.5	221.0	162.6	137.3	46.2	12.0	33.5	1,730.5	1,735.3
PERSONS										
1974 —Aug.	(c)1,774.8	(c)1,345.5	(c)649.1	451.1	371.6	136.3	35.8	78.3	(c)4,842.4	(c)4,858.7
Sept.	1,771.3	(c)1,340.1	651.3	450.0	372.8	135.6	36.2	78.1	(c)4,835.5	(c)4,851.7
1975 —Aug.	1,732.6	1,324.1	648.1	447.4	379.3	138.2	33.7	84.9	4,788.3	4,804.2
Sept.	1,731.4	1,326.5	648.2	446.0	379.1	138.3	33.7	84.7	4,787.9	4,803.9

(a) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas. (b) For details of the methods used see *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators*, 1975 (Reference No. 1.10). (c) Affected by industrial dispute.

TABLE 2. — TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES (PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT) AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(’000)

Month	Private	Government (a)				Civilian employees	Defence forces (c)	Total civilian employees and defence forces
		Australian	State (b)	Local (b)	Total (b)			
MALES								
1974 – Aug.	(d)2,230.5	271.3	(d)501.1	98.3	(d)870.7	(d)3,101.2	64.4	(d)3,165.6
Sept.	(d)2,226.4	271.3	502.2	98.1	871.6	(d)3,098.0	64.3	(d)3,162.3
1975 – Aug.	2,146.3	280.3	521.0	116.0	917.4	3,063.7	65.8	3,129.5
Sept.	2,144.7	279.9	520.3	112.4	912.7	3,057.4	65.6	3,123.0
FEMALES								
1974 – Aug.	(d)1,405.0	108.9	211.9	15.4	336.2	(d)1,741.2	3.1	(d)1,744.3
Sept.	1,399.5	109.1	213.4	15.6	338.0	1,737.5	3.1	1,740.6
1975 – Aug.	1,354.1	120.5	233.3	16.8	370.5	1,724.6	3.4	1,728.0
Sept.	1,360.9	119.1	234.0	16.5	369.6	1,730.5	3.5	1,734.0
PERSONS								
1974 – Aug.	(d)3,635.5	380.2	(d)712.9	113.7	(d)1,206.9	(d)4,842.4	67.4	(d)4,909.8
Sept.	(d)3,625.9	380.4	715.6	113.7	1,209.6	(d)4,835.5	67.4	(d)4,902.9
1975 – Aug.	3,500.4	400.8	754.3	132.8	1,287.9	4,788.3	69.3	4,857.6
Sept.	3,505.7	399.0	754.3	129.0	1,282.2	4,787.9	69.1	4,857.0

(a) Includes semi-government bodies. (b) Excludes State and local government employees (5.6 thousand persons in June 1975) engaged in agriculture, or in private homes as employees of government emergency housekeeper services. (c) Permanent defence forces in Australia and overseas. (d) Affected by industrial dispute.

TABLE 3. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES BY INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(⁰000)

<i>Month</i>	<i>Forestry, fishing and trapping</i>	<i>Mining and quarrying</i>	<i>Extracting, refining, foundry, etc. (a)</i>	<i>Metal products</i>	<i>Machinery and parts</i>	<i>Total foundry, engineering, metal working (b)</i>	<i>Ships, vehicles, etc.</i>	<i>Yarns, textiles, etc.</i>	<i>Clothing and knitted goods</i>	<i>Food, drink and tobacco</i>	<i>Total manufac- turing (b)</i>	<i>Electricity, gas, water and sanitary services</i>	<i>Building and construction</i>
MALES													
1974 — Aug.	13.9	72.9	90.7	103.4	106.3	352.6	177.5	25.6	16.4	(c)137.5	(c)1,033.0	110.5	368.7
Sept.	13.6	73.3	90.3	102.4	105.8	350.5	177.5	24.9	16.1	143.2	1,032.9	110.3	(c)364.8
1975 — Aug.	14.3	75.4	85.8	95.4	98.7	326.8	165.3	23.3	15.1	140.1	971.9	112.8	364.9
Sept.	13.9	74.8	85.4	94.9	97.9	324.8	164.7	23.3	15.2	140.9	970.4	112.6	359.8
FEMALES													
1974 — Aug.	1.0	5.1	10.0	26.4	21.0	92.1	27.8	19.6	69.6	(c)56.1	(c)378.5	8.8	21.0
Sept.	1.0	5.1	9.9	26.1	21.0	91.0	27.3	18.9	67.7	56.6	372.8	8.9	20.8
1975 — Aug.	0.9	5.4	8.4	22.0	17.2	75.1	23.0	17.1	58.5	51.4	325.6	8.9	20.2
Sept.	0.9	5.4	8.3	22.2	17.3	75.0	23.2	17.4	59.9	51.2	328.0	9.0	20.2
PERSONS													
1974 — Aug.	14.9	78.0	100.7	129.8	127.2	444.7	205.3	45.2	86.0	(c)193.6	(c)1,411.5	119.3	389.7
Sept.	14.6	78.4	100.2	128.5	126.8	441.4	204.8	43.8	83.8	199.8	1,405.7	119.2	(c)385.6
1975 — Aug.	15.2	80.7	94.2	117.4	115.8	401.9	188.3	40.4	73.6	191.5	1,297.6	121.8	385.1
Sept.	14.7	80.2	93.7	117.0	115.2	399.8	188.0	40.8	75.1	192.1	1,298.4	121.6	379.9
<i>Month</i>	<i>Road transport and storage</i>	<i>Total transport and storage (b)</i>	<i>Communi- cation</i>	<i>Finance and property</i>	<i>Retail trade</i>	<i>Total commerce (b)</i>	<i>Public authority activities, (n.e.i.)</i>	<i>Health, hospitals, etc.</i>	<i>Education</i>	<i>Total community and business services (b)</i>	<i>Hotels, personal service, etc.</i>	<i>Total amuse- ment, hotels, personal service, etc. (b)</i>	<i>Total all industry groups</i>
MALES													
1974 — Aug.	106.5	230.1	101.2	133.0	242.2	458.8	154.3	55.7	116.0	292.6	93.0	132.3	(c)3,101.2
Sept.	106.3	230.4	101.2	132.1	241.8	458.0	154.6	56.0	116.6	293.7	93.3	132.9	(c)3,098.0
1975 — Aug.	101.6	227.3	101.9	130.8	245.5	456.7	162.6	60.8	126.1	308.1	94.3	137.0	3,063.7
Sept.	101.0	226.3	101.9	130.8	246.3	457.6	163.3	60.7	126.2	308.1	95.2	137.9	3,057.4
FEMALES													
1974 — Aug.	14.7	31.6	30.9	107.7	284.6	379.8	81.8	235.2	165.6	504.4	166.7	190.7	(c)1,741.2
Sept.	14.7	31.6	31.0	107.2	285.3	379.9	82.4	235.9	166.5	505.0	167.4	192.0	1,737.5
1975 — Aug.	13.8	30.7	31.3	106.6	285.0	374.7	93.5	248.6	182.3	534.2	166.4	192.6	1,724.6
Sept.	13.7	30.5	31.3	106.4	287.5	377.4	92.7	248.9	182.2	534.4	168.0	194.3	1,730.5
PERSONS													
1974 — Aug.	121.3	261.7	132.2	240.6	526.9	838.6	236.1	290.9	281.6	796.9	259.7	323.0	(c)4,842.4
Sept.	121.0	262.0	132.1	239.3	527.1	837.9	237.0	291.9	283.1	798.7	260.7	324.9	(c)4,835.5
1975 — Aug.	115.4	258.0	133.2	237.4	530.4	831.4	256.1	309.4	308.4	842.3	260.7	329.6	4,788.3
Sept.	114.7	256.8	133.2	237.2	533.8	835.0	256.0	309.6	308.4	842.5	263.2	332.3	4,787.9

(a) Includes manufacture of metal rods, bars, sheets, pipes, tubes and wire (except electric). (b) Includes industries not specified in the preceding columns. (c) Affected by industrial dispute.

TABLE 4. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(’000)

Month	Total civilian employees			Private/Government (persons)		Principal industries (persons)	
	Males	Females	Persons	Private	Government (a)	Manufacturing	Commerce
ORIGINAL							
1974 — August	(b)3,101.2	(b)1,741.2	(b)4,842.4	(b)3,635.5	(b)1,206.9	(b)1,411.5	838.6
September	(b)3,098.0	1,737.5	(b)4,835.5	(b)3,625.9	1,209.6	1,405.7	837.9
October	3,095.0	1,732.6	4,827.6	3,613.9	1,213.7	1,388.1	841.8
November	3,091.5	1,729.8	4,821.3	3,602.1	1,219.2	1,374.9	845.4
December	3,081.4	1,707.1	4,788.5	3,567.3	1,221.2	1,344.3	848.0
1975 — January	3,065.7	1,681.4	4,747.1	3,528.3	1,218.8	1,326.4	833.7
February	3,075.7	1,702.7	4,778.4	3,531.2	1,247.2	1,323.2	830.0
March	3,076.7	1,705.9	4,782.6	3,519.2	1,263.4	1,313.9	828.9
April	(b)3,076.8	1,715.2	(b)4,792.0	3,525.6	(b)1,266.4	1,309.6	834.9
May	3,093.1	1,718.5	4,811.6	3,525.6	1,286.0	1,306.5	834.9
June	(b)3,088.2	1,720.3	(b)4,808.6	(b)3,517.6	1,291.0	1,303.3	833.5
July	(b)3,075.5	1,724.1	(b)4,799.6	(b)3,508.6	1,291.0	1,300.9	834.0
August	3,063.7	1,724.6	4,788.3	3,500.4	1,287.9	1,297.6	831.4
September	3,057.4	1,730.5	4,787.9	3,505.7	1,282.2	1,298.4	835.0
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (c)							
1974 — August	(b)3,112.7	(b)1,747.8	(b)4,858.7	(b)3,650.2	(b)1,208.7	(b)1,416.6	845.9
September	(b)3,109.7	1,742.3	(b)4,851.7	(b)3,637.4	1,214.6	1,409.6	843.4
October	3,107.5	1,733.1	4,842.8	3,621.8	1,221.2	1,388.6	843.4
November	3,088.8	1,717.9	4,807.1	3,581.8	1,225.3	1,367.4	835.7
December	3,072.1	1,702.8	4,774.6	3,552.6	1,223.2	1,347.2	827.7
1975 — January	3,066.3	1,699.1	4,766.6	3,537.8	1,229.4	1,329.6	834.2
February	3,067.1	1,703.1	4,770.2	3,528.9	1,242.1	1,319.1	833.8
March	3,066.0	1,698.9	4,765.6	3,510.0	1,254.3	1,308.8	831.0
April	(b)3,071.7	1,711.1	(b)4,781.2	3,521.7	(b)1,257.4	1,308.9	837.1
May	3,086.5	1,712.9	4,799.2	3,519.2	1,278.9	1,304.6	834.5
June	(b)3,088.1	1,719.4	(b)4,807.7	(b)3,520.3	1,287.4	1,303.7	835.0
July	(b)3,082.6	1,728.0	(b)4,810.1	(b)3,519.9	1,290.7	1,304.9	840.1
August	3,075.2	1,731.0	4,804.2	3,514.5	1,289.8	1,302.2	838.6
September	3,069.0	1,735.3	4,803.9	3,516.8	1,287.5	1,302.0	840.5

(a) See footnote (a) to Table 2. (b) Affected by industrial disputes. (c) See footnote (b) to Table 1.

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